

The Gardens

At Fauna



Chimpanzee Sanctuary

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Natural Reserve

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Stroll Gardens

The Fauna Foundation

The **Fauna Foundation** is a non-profit organization housing the only chimpanzee sanctuary in Canada, and is located on private land designated a natural reserve under the name **Réserve Naturelle du Ruisseau-Robert**.

Situated among the agricultural lowlands of the St. Lawrence river, in Carignan, Québec, the Reserve is made up of a dynamic patchwork of natural habitats spread over some 150 acres. It includes wooded areas, marshes and former agricultural land that has been left to return to its natural state.

In addition to the chimpanzees rescued by the Foundation, the Reserve is also home to more than 100 other formerly mistreated or neglected farm and domestic animals. The remarkable biodiversity of the Reserve also attracts over 84 species of birds, 25 species of mammals, 14 species of amphibians, and reptiles, and a surprising variety of insects.

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Over the years, thousands of trees were planted and the landscape was enriched by the addition of a network of non-intrusive paths, and interesting vistas and viewpoints. These allow visitors to observe the chimpanzees from a safe distance and other local fauna up-close.

As part of its long-term development, the Foundation has also undertaken to create several ornamental gardens and garden rooms for the enjoyment of residents, staff and visitors. These include, among others, the Mediterranean Scented Garden, the Buddah Garden, the Tropical Garden, the Bog Garden, the Secret Garden, the Butterfly Garden, and the 300-ft. long naturalistic Pond Stroll. New gardens are added each year, so a return visit is a must.

Garden Tours



- ~ Guided tours of the gardens are organized one Sunday each month from May to October, *by reservation only*.
- ~ Entrance fee is \$25.00 per person; maximum of 12 persons per group. Tours last approximately 1½ hours.
- ~ A combined tour, **Gardens & Nature Walk** (duration: 3 hours) is also available. Fee is \$40.00 per person.
- ~ All proceeds go to animal care and enrichment.
- ~ For reservations: phone: 450-658-1844 or email: gloria.fauna@videotron.ca



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